

Funeral shooter sentenced to two-plus years of jail time

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Gai Scott, the Randolph man found guilty of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon for his role in a March 2014 drive-by shooting on Route 3 in Duxbury, has been sentenced to two and a half years in jail.

Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz announced Scott's sentence last week.

On Friday, August 26, Plymouth Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Locke sentenced Scott to two and half years in the House of Corrections with 18 months to serve and the balance suspended for three years. As part of the conditions of his sentence, Scott cannot own a firearm, cannot apply for a firearms license and cannot reside in a home with firearms. He must also submit a DNA sample to CODIS, the Combined DNA Index System. Lawyers for the Commonwealth had recommended Scott be sentenced to serve 3-5 years in state prison.

On August 18, a jury found Scott guilty of one count of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon. The trial lasted for six days and the jury deliberated just over 17 hours before finding Scott guilty. Scott was found not guilty of the other charge against him – one count of armed assault with intent to murder.

The charges stem from an incident on March 29, 2014. Police arrested Gai Scott for shooting his uncle, Raymond Scott, 48, of Mansfield, during a funeral procession along Route 3 to a church in Plymouth. The funeral was for Raymond Scott's mother.